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TAGS: PINS PINT MILI VS

SUBJECT: PRISONER RELEASE

PARIS FOR USDEL JEC

FOLLOWING RECEIVED FROM NHA TRANG IS REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO:

QUOTE

1. PRISONER EXCHANGE AT DUC NGHIEP WENT OFF ALMOST AS PLANNED. DESPITE TWO HOUR DELAY IN STARTING EXCHANGE, ALL 100 POWS WERE RETURNED ON SCHEDULE AND WERE IN PLEIKU SHORTLY AFTER 17:00 HOURS ON FEBRUARY 12.

2. OF 100 PRISONERS RETURNED, 21 WERE MEDICAL CASES. THEY SUFFER FROM MALNUTRITION, MALARIA, DYSENTERY AND SKIN DISEASE. ALL POWS RELEASED HAD BEEN HELD AT LEAST ONE YEAR. SOME SAID THEY HAD BEEN AT A LOCATION KNOWN AS TIGER MOUNTAIN, JUST ON VN SIDE OF CAMBODIAN BORDER. SOME TRAVELED ALL NIGHT OVER BAD ROADS TO REACH EXCHANGE SITE. OTHERS TRAVELED FOR A SHORTER PERIOD IN MOLOTOVA TRUCKS, OVER GOOD ROADS.

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3. RETURNED PRISONERS APPARENTLY CAME FROM 63D AND 2D RANGER
GROUPS. UNQUOTE
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